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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Kiwamu Takehisa *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/608,964

Examiner: J. Diaz

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For: ULTRA-NARROW BAND
FLUORINE LASER APPARATUS

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Honorable Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

November 29, 2002

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Official action mailed August 29, 2002. The Official action mailed on August 29, 2002, set forth a three-month period for response, making a response due on or before November 29, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 3-7 by replacing these claims with the following rewritten claims:

-- 1. (Amended) An ultra-narrow band fluorine laser apparatus comprising a laser chamber which is filled with a laser gas including